CLAIMS

1   1. A communication method in which a caller uses a telephone system and the Internet to

2   transmit an electronic message to at least one electronic address of an intended recipient,

3   the method comprising:

4   (a) said caller dialing a telephone number via the telephone system for connecting

5   to a central computer;

6   (b) said central computer comparing an intended recipient identifier with data

7   corresponding to a plurality of subscribers;

8   (c) said caller inputting a communication code into the central computer via the

9   telephone system;

10   (d) said central computer constructing an electronic message addressed to at least

11   one electronic address of the intended recipient, said electronic message

12   containing information corresponding to the communication code; and

13   (e) said central computer transmitting the electronic message over the Internet to

14   said at least one electronic address of the intended recipient.

1   2. The method in accordance with claim 1, further comprising the step of said caller

2   inputting said intended recipient identifier into the central computer via the telephone

3   system.

1   3. The method in accordance with claim 2, wherein the information corresponding to the

2   communication code further comprises a telephone number of the caller.

1   4. The method in accordance with claim 2, wherein the information corresponding to the

2   communication code further comprises a plurality of alphanumeric characters.

1   5. The method in accordance with claim 2, wherein the step of inputting said intended

2   recipient identifier further comprises manually contacting at least one button on a

3   telephone.

1   6. The method in accordance with claim 2, wherein the step of inputting said intended

2   recipient identifier further comprises projecting sound waves into a telephone.

1 7. The method in accordance with claim 6, wherein the step of projecting sound waves

2 further comprises speaking.

1 8. The method in accordance with claim 1, wherein said intended recipient identifier is

2 transmitted to said central computer when the caller dials said telephone number.

1 9. The method in accordance with claim 8, wherein the information corresponding to the

2 communication code further comprises a telephone number of the caller.

1 10. The method in accordance with claim 8, wherein the information corresponding to

2 the communication code further comprises a plurality of alphanumeric characters.

1 11. The method in accordance with claim 8, wherein the step of inputting a

2 communication code further comprises confirming a possible communication code.

1 12. The method in accordance with claim 11, further comprising the step of the central

2 computer prompting the caller to contact manually at least one telephone button to

3 confirm that the possible communication code audibly communicated to the caller is the

4 communication code.

1   13. The method in accordance with claim 11, further comprising the step of the central

2   computer prompting the caller to speak to confirm that the possible communication code

3   audibly communicated to the caller is the communication code.

1   14.   The method in accordance with claim 1, wherein the step of inputting a

2   communication code further comprises manually contacting at least one button on a

3   telephone.

1   15. The method in accordance with claim 14, further comprising manually contacting a

2   plurality of buttons in sequence on the telephone after prompting by the central computer.

1   16.   The method in accordance with claim 1, wherein the step of inputting a

2   communication code further comprises projecting sound waves into a telephone.

1   17. The method in accordance with claim 16, wherein the step of projecting sound waves

2   further comprises speaking.

1   18. The method in accordance with claim 1, wherein the electronic message uses Internet

2   protocol.

1   19. The method in accordance with claim 18, wherein the electronic message is an

2   instant message.

1   20. The method in accordance with claim 18, wherein the electronic message is an email

2   message.

1   21. The method in accordance with claim 20, wherein the electronic address is a

2   webmail email address.

1   22. The method in accordance with claim 20, wherein the electronic address is a PDA

2   email address.

1   23. The method in accordance with claim 20, wherein the electronic address is a personal

2   computer email address.

1   24. The method in accordance with claim 20, wherein the electronic address is a wireless

2   telephone email address.

1   25. The method in accordance with claim 24, further comprising the step of calling back

2   a telephone number that is contained in the electronic message on the wireless telephone.

1   26. The method in accordance with claim 1, further comprising the step of connecting to

2   the central computer over the Internet and modifying said at least one electronic address.

1   27. The method in accordance with claim 1, further comprising:

2   (a) said caller leaving a recorded voice message; and

3   (b) said central computer sending a computer file containing the recorded voice

4   message to said at least one electronic address.

1   28. The method in accordance with claim 1, further comprising :

2   (a) said caller leaving a recorded voice message; and

3   (b) said central computer sending an electronic message to said at least one

4   electronic address notifying said intended recipient of said recorded voice

5   message.

1   29. The method in accordance with claim 1, further comprising said central computer

2   connecting said caller with said intended recipient over the telephone system.